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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting of the Steering Committee/ARGO, Room 208,  
EOB, 9 July 1969

1. The Corps of Engineers presented a briefing on:

Indiana Roads Project - Done on contract by the state of Indiana from conventional sources. Corps of Engineers used KH-4 photography. Enlarged photos to 1/30,000 for optimum use. The 1/30,000 set certain limits [redacted]

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[redacted] Using KH-4 Corps of Engineers found Indiana State plan with conventional sources was in 11.5% average error (example, in cut-and-fill problems).

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Barge Canal from Lake Michigan to Wabash River - Project all based on satellite photography and not field-checked. Cost advantages over conventional sources.

Both projects showed many advantages of satellite photography. Better mosaics with photos taken at one time--same geometry and conditions. No trouble matching strips, frames, etc.,--cheaper. More engineering data available.

2. Reston - representative stated KH-4 provided more than needed in detail for 1/250,000 domestic maps.

3. Security - much discussion about how one can and cannot get information out from classification "barrier".

4. Department of Transportation - representatives stated that they had levied requirement through military for coverage by classified equipment in support of oil tanker S.S. Manhattan route through ice to Prudhoe Bay (No. Slope Alaska). They will levy same requirement upon civilian channel [redacted]/ARGO to [redacted]/COMIREX). [redacted] accepted requirement for consideration. (Parallel copy of [redacted] requirement goes to NRO for planning support.)

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5. [redacted] Contract - To be NPIC administered? [redacted] said that while he was pleased with first year's accomplishments in getting collection, he considered that more progress must be made on usage. He proposed to [redacted] that the intelligence community and CIA consider that NPIC administer a contract with [redacted] on behalf of Agencies obtaining coverage and needing analytical exploitation support. Money to be provided by Agencies to [redacted] and transferred to NPIC. Proposal will probably be made when and if Agencies advise (Secretaries to [redacted] that they are willing to commit some funds to a single contract. At that time (in two or three weeks) NPIC will probably hear via [redacted] of the request. We will then be in a position to ascertain cost, security problem, wisdom, need for 1080 reimbursement for NPIC's expenses, etc., of request. [redacted] stated he was sure Art Lundahl would okay.

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6. Next meeting - 10 September 1969, Wednesday, 0930.

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